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IN WASHINGTON, STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS SAID THEY HAVE ASKED THE
AMERICAN EMBASSY IN MOSCOW TO CHECK ON THE MEN AND SEE WHAT, IF ANYTHING
HAPPENED TO THEM

THEY SAID THE EMBASSY HAD NOT YET REPORTED TO WASHINGTON.

THE OFFICIALS SAID IT WAS NOT UNUSUAL-BECAUSE OF POOR COMMUNICATIONS-FOR TRAVELERS TO BE DELAYED IN RETURNING TO EUROPE FROM MOSCOW.

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